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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Thomas SPIES and Veronika SPIES

Serial No.: 09/855,612

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For: CELL STRESS REGULATED HUMAN  
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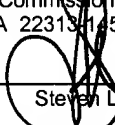
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 11, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2003, for which the three-month date for response is June 11, 2003. It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Deposit Account No.: 50-1212/FHCC:003USC1. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.